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SUBJ: TURKISH UNILATERAL ASSERTION OF CONTROL OF GREEK
AIRSPACE

REF: A. USDAO ATHENS IR 6 837 0315 74, OCT. 23, 1974

B. USDAO NICOSIA MESSAGE 0319 DTG 181330Z OCT 74

1. REFERENCE A IS REPORT BEARING ON DISPUTE BETWEEN GOG AND
GOT ON SUBJECT OF CONTROL OF AEGEAN AIRSPACE. AS DEPARTMENT
AWARE, IRREGULAR SITUATION ALSO OBTAINS WITH REGARD TO CYPRUS
AIRSPACE. NICOSIA (GOC) FIR CLAIMS RIGHT TO CONTROL AIR
MOVEMENTS ABOVE AND IN ZONE EXTENDING HUNDREDS OF MILES
AROUND CYPRUS BUT TURKISH AIR FORCE EXERCISES DE FACTO CON-
TROL OVER ALL THIS AIRSPACE AND IGNORES NICOSIA ATC.

2. REFERENCE B IS NICOSIA DAO REPORT CATALOGING RECENT
NEAR-MISSES IN CIVIL AND MILITARY AVIATION WITHIN CYPRIOT
AIRSPACE.

3. REALIZING THAT THIS DISPUTE HAS LONG HISTORY, EMBASSY
WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT PROVIDING US WITH ANY STUDY ON
AEGEAN AIRSPACE CONTROVERSY AND, IF POSSIBLE, BRIEF RESUME
OF WHAT IS BEING DONE ON INTERNATIONAL LEVEL TO ATTEMPT
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RESOLVE IMPASSE. THIS COULD HAVE BEARING ON CYPRUS

SITUATION.

4. IS UN/ICAO AWARE OF AND ADDRESSING PROBLEM OF CYPRUS
AIRSPACE?
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